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1. A declaration signed by the inventors in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63  
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2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 month)(1 page); and
3. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (1 page).

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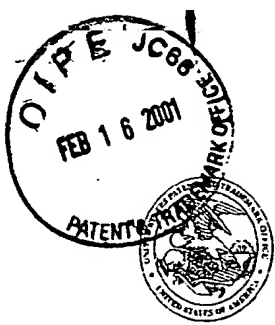
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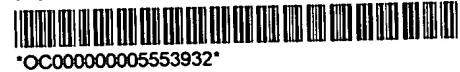
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